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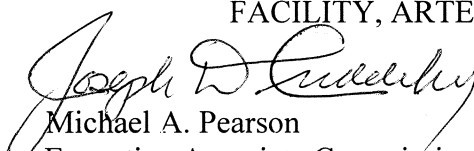
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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SERVICE CENTER DIRECTORS; REGIONAL DIRECTORS;
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FROM:


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SUBJECT: Initial Guidance for Processing H-1B Petitions as Affected by the "American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act" (Public Law 106-313) and Related Legislation (Public Law 106-311) and (Public Law 106-396)

Attached is the policy memorandum regarding the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act and relating laws. The memo outlines proper procedures for handling cases effected by the new statutes. Until regulations are promulgated, I ask that field offices follow the interim procedures in the attached policy. This policy is effective immediately.

Attachment